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SUBJ: POTENTIAL SOVIET INTEREST IN PURCHASE U.S. SOYBEANS AND
DRY EDIBLE BEANS

DEPARTMENT PASS AGRICULTURE FOR F&O AND G&F DIVISIONS, FAS

1. ASSISTANT AGRICULTURAL ATTACHE ACCOMPANIED NORTH CAROLINA AGRIBUSINESS COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE, R. W. SCOTT (FORMER GOVERNOR), TO MEETING AT EKSPORTKHLEB SEPTEMBER 10. IN RESPONSE SCOTT QUESTION, EKSPORTKHLEB OFFICIAL POINTEDLY STATED USSR NOT CURRENTLY IN MARKET FOR SOYBEANS. SUBSEQUENT DISCUSSION REVEALED VERY KEEN INTEREST ON PART EKSPORTKHLEB OFFICIALS ALL ASPECTS U.S. SOYBEAN EXPORT RESTRICTIONS AND CROP PROSPECTS. ALTHOUGH NOTHING CONCRETE, ENTIRE TONE DISCUSSION DEFINITELY NOT IN ACCORD PROFESSED LACK INTEREST IN BUYING SOYBEANS.

2. KEEN INTEREST ALSO EXPRESSED IN POTENTIAL PURCHASE U.S. "HARICOT BEANS" WHICH TERM APPARENTLY INCLUDES ANY KIND OF DRY EDIBLE BEANS EXCEPT ENGLISH PEAS, I.E., LIMA, KIDNEY, PINTO, ETC. MICHIGAN TYPE "NAVY PEA" APPARENTLY PREFERRED WHEN AVAILABLE AT APPROPRIATE RELATIVE PRICE. EKSPORTKHLEB OFFICIAL STATED IMPORT TOTAL ABOUT 10,000 METRIC TONS ANNUALLY FROM MANY DIFFERENT SOURCES.

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3. EKSPORTKHLEB OFFICIAL EXPRESSED INTEREST IN INFORMATION ALL ASPECTS EDIBLE U.S. BEANS, I.E., PRODUCTION, TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS, GRADES, AVAILABILITIES FOR EXPORT, PRICES, ETC. REQUEST SEND APPROPRIATE READILY AVAILABLE MATERIALS ON U.S. BEANS THIS OFFICE FOR TRANSMITTAL EKSPORTKHLEB IN ACCORDANCE ASSISTANT AGRICULTURAL ATTACHE PROMISE.
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